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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of : October 6, 2005  
R. E. Chapman, Jr. : Group Art No.: 2684  
Serial No. 09/664,479 : Examiner: Tu Nguyen  
Filed: September 18, 2000 : IBM Corporation  
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3173 Cedar Road  
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Title: TELEPHONE NETWORK EDGE  
NODE DEVICE AND METHOD  
FOR BRIDGING AND PRIVACY

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for response for a period of one month. The period for response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2005 for the above-identified patent application will now expire on October 6, 2005. Authorization is hereby given to charge the requisite fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,  
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